

PATENT *B* *JS*

Case Docket No. VALER12.001APC

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Taran, et al.  
Appl. No. : 09/830,634  
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For : MULTILAYERED  
CONNECTION PLATE  
Group Art Unit : 2827  
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Examiner : Jeremy C. Norris

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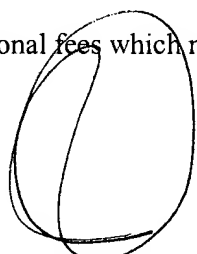
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**P.O. Box 1450**  
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Dear Sir:

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